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## **Amendment**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and in response to the Decision on Appeal mailed September 18, 2001, Applicants respectfully submit the following remarks for the U.S. patent application identified above and earnestly request that the Examiner pass this application to allowance.

## In the Claims

Please **CANCEL** claim 35.

Please <u>AMEND</u> claims 43 and 44 as follows; please substitute the indicated claim for the corresponding, pending claim having the same claim number.

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